

growth and has taken it in. The new annexation laws have made it mandatory to extend municipal services to newly annexed areas and Selma has not deemed this expenditure of public funds feasible.

The "Neighborhood Analysis" report for Selma by DCP stated that in 1965 the total area including both the area within the town and the developed area immediately adjacent to the town encompassed an estimated population of 3,991 persons. Assuming that the area outside the corporate limits will grow at the same rate as the area within the town then Selma can expect a total population, in its service area, of 4,364 in 1970, 4,774 in 1980, and 5,001 in 1985. This represents an increase of 1,010 persons from 1965 to 1985. At the ratio of 3.5 persons per household this increase would represent the need for approximately 289 new dwelling units in the service area of Selma. At the present time there are approximately 132 lots that are considered desirable for residential development. Assuming these lots shall be used first, then Selma shall need approximately 157 new residential lots by 1985.

In recent years the average lot has been approximately 15,000 square feet. Using this as a base figure then Selma's growth can be expressed as requiring the following acreages:

- a. 74 gross acres of land developed.
- b. 1.8 miles of streets and utilities installed plus an additional 0.6 miles of major thoroughfares or collector streets to serve these new residential developments.
- c. 7 acres of park land.

There are several other factors created by Selma's growth:

- a. There will be a need for approximately 330 new jobs.
- b. There will be 434 new children in the school system requiring a minimum of 22 new classrooms.
- c. There will be a need to develop at least 3 additional acres of park land for active recreation.

All of the above factors created by the expected population of 5,000 persons by 1985 shall place a strain upon the community in providing adequate community facilities and will necessitate careful planning on the part of the Town officials.